

Charter Commission Minutes Regular Meeting City of Las Vegas Council Chambers 1700 North Grand Avenue Thursday, June 3, 2021 at 1:30 p.m.

Call to Order

Chairman Apodaca called the meeting to order at 1:34p.m.

Roll Call

Present

Commissioner Martinez
Commission Vice Chair Salazar
Commissioner Einer
Commissioner Ludi
Commissioner Madrid
Commission Chair Apodaca

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda

Chairman Apodaca called for a motion to approve the agenda.

Commissioner Martinez made a motion to approve the agenda.

Commissioner Einer seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

a. May 6, 2021 Meeting

Chairman Apodaca called for a motion to approve the minutes of May 6, 2021.

Commissioner Ludi made a motion to approve the minutes.

Commissioner Madrid seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

Public Input

No public input was submitted via email to Darlene Arguello.

Public input was submitted via email to Chairman Apodaca by Barbara Casey on May 7, 2021 in which Chairman Apodaca forwarded to all commission members at that time. Chairman Apodaca allowed for Ms. Casey to speak regarding her email.

Ms. Casey stated that in reviewing the Charter as a whole, there are many parts that relate to other parts. She suggested that the Commission not vote on anything until the whole Charter is reviewed and then go back and see how they all fit in together and how the Charter flows. She also stated that issues that came up at every meeting were that the Charter was in contradiction to the Ordinances. She suggested changes to the Ordinances to coincide with the Charter, in specific the duties of the Mayor and City Manager, how the Police Department is run, and that the City Clerk follows state law as per the Charter and so there are not a whole lot of concerns there. She stated that she would like to see the Government run smoothly.

Chairman Apodaca opened up discussion on how the Charter works and the duties of the Charter Commission in regards to revisions and amending the Charter and the Council being solely responsible for the Ordinances. He asked the question of where the issue and the real cause of the problem were in regards to the Charter and the Ordinances not matching or coinciding with each other.

Discussion

Commissioner Martinez elaborated on the way the Charter worked back in 1970 and going forward. Lengthy discussion was held in regards to this topic.

Commissioner Martinez suggested at the next meeting they start with the Code of Ethics and the powers and duties of the Mayor and the City Manager and the process of directors' appointments.

Chairman Apodaca proposed having two special meetings before July that would have City Counselors insights at one and Mayor and City Clerk's at the other prior to looking at the Code of Ethics and moving forward.

Commissioner Ludi asked about the appointment of the 7th member. Chairman Apodaca stated that he would bring that up at the City Council Meeting where he will be giving a status report.

Discussion Items

1. Continuation of Article II – Sections 2.01(b), 2.03 and 2.07(c), 2. Continuation of Article III – Sections 3.01 and 3.02(B)(3), 3. Continuation of Article V and Continuation of Review were not discussed.

Adjournment

Commissioner Einer made a motion to adjourn.

Vice Chair Salazar seconded the motion.

Motion to adjourn passed.

Meeting adjourned at 3:28 p.m.

Commission Chair Apodaca

7/1/2021 Date